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Court Celebrates the Second Graduation from its Court Certificate Program - October 3, 2003

Riverside – In 1999, the Riverside County Superior Court created a Court Certificate Program to provide staff members with an opportunity to grow professionally and personally. Full-time court staff members are eligible to participate in the two-year program, which includes a curriculum of ten classes in the court's Staff Development Department as well as four select courses at one of the county's community colleges - College of the Desert, Mt. San Jacinto Community College, Palo Verde Community College, or Riverside Community College. Staff members who complete the program are well prepared to compete for promotional opportunities both within and outside the court system.

The first group of 33 court staff graduated on October 19, 2001. The second group of graduates from the Court Certificate Program will be honored at a ceremony held on Friday, October 3, 2003, at 4:00 p.m. in Dept. 1 of the Historic Court House in downtown Riverside. Members of the second graduating class are: Nancy Aguirre (Banning); Chandra Davis and Wilhemenia Reed (Hemet); Christina Gibbs, Rosaura Gonzalez, Carmen D. Jimenez, and Sophia Curiel Lopez (Indio); Charniece Creekbaum (Moreno Valley); Trisha C. Hatcliff, Elaine Lott, Pamela Powell, and LaVetta Walker (Murrieta); Philippa Combs (Palm Springs); Adele Alatorre, Angelajean Bartlett, Kimberly Davis, Julie Eriksen, Manuel R.Gonzalez Jr., Sharon Hopkins-Bright, Karen Jackson, Loida Rodrigo-Lu, Norma Lucero, Cindy Mackie, Rebecca Munoz, Edna Preciado, Alan Price, Betty Rayford, Lauretta Rodriguez, Shelley Simons, Anita Sims, Melanie Valenzuela, Lynne Vokac, and Diane Watrous (Riverside).

The Riverside County Superior Court is very proud to have these high achievers on their team!